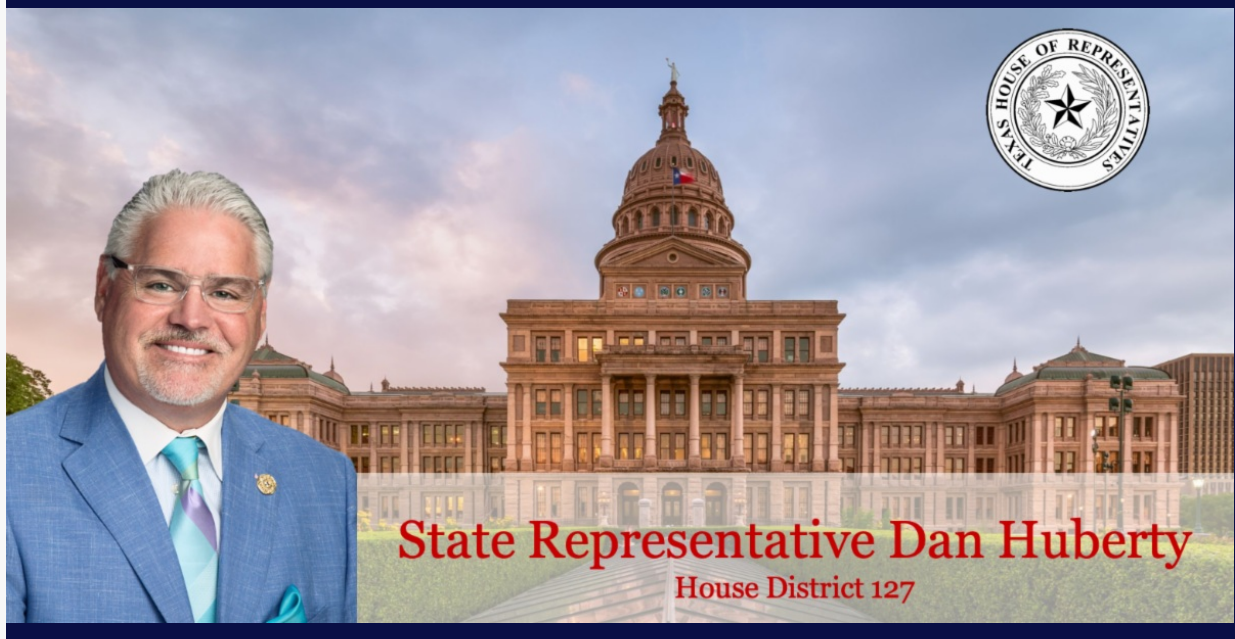


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January 8, 2021

Thank you for subscribing to my weekly newsletter. Below you will find important federal, state and local updates from the last week curated for you in one place.

Our office has spent the past week continuing to prepare for the upcoming 87th Legislative Session. Among our preparations, and under advisement by The Texas House Administration, our office will be adhering to a new policy regarding office visitation and meetings. Each person, before they will be allowed to enter the office, will be required to:

- Have a negative COVID-19 test - COVID-19 tests are being administered at the North Entrance to the Capitol
- Wear a mask
- Have their temperature checked at the office door
- Have no more than two people per appointment

These protocols will help ensure our staff's safety throughout the legislative session. We truly appreciate your help in keeping our office functioning so we may continue working on your behalf. To schedule an appointment please send a request to district127.huberty@house.texas.gov. A sign with these requirements will be posted near the entrance to our office.

The 87th Legislative Session will begin on Tuesday of next week, January 12, 2021 at 12:00pm with the swearing in ceremony. Due to COVID-19 precautions there will be a limited number of general admission tickets available to the public, which will be allocated on a first-come first-serve basis. A link to register for a ticket can be found below.

Should you have any questions about the information below, please do not hesitate to contact us. Please utilize email communication with our office during this time, via the email contact information at the bottom of this newsletter.

Sincerely,



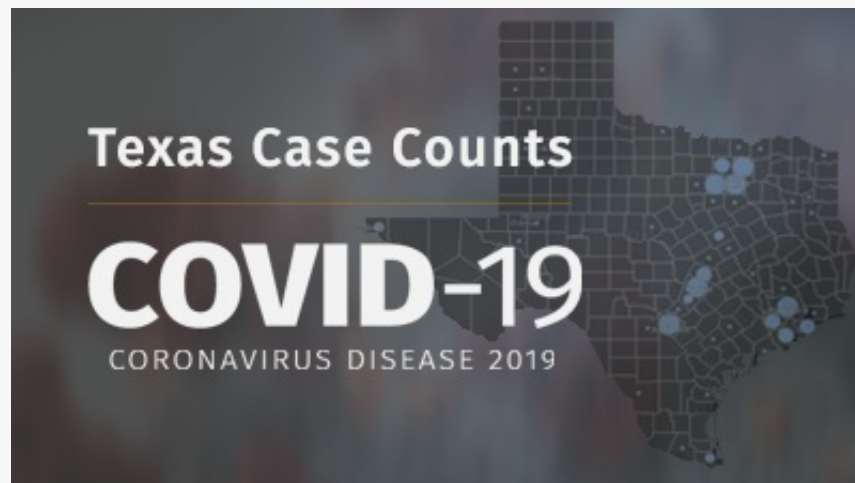
87th Legislature Opening Day General Admission Tickets

A limited number of general admission tickets for opening day of the 87th legislative session are now available to the public.

Due to capacity limitations implemented to combat the spread of COVID-19, all general admission seats will be assigned, ticketed, and allocated to guests on a first-come, first-served basis. Guests may register for their tickets at the following link: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/opening-day-of-the-87th-legislature-registration-132583557991>

State Updates

DSHS: COVID-19 Case Dashboard



More Than 325,000 First Doses Sent to Providers in
Fourth Week of COVID-19 Vaccine Distribution,
224,250 Second Doses Sent to Complete Vaccination
for First Week Recipients



More Than 325,000 First Doses Sent to Providers in...

The Texas Department of State Health Services has instructed the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to ship first doses of COVID-19 vaccine to more than 949 providers in 158 Texas counties over the next week. The CDC will deliver 167,300...

[Read more](https://www.dshs.texas.gov)
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Texas to Provide COVID-19 Vaccine for Large

Vaccination Hubs



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**Texas Department of State
Health Services**

Texas to Provide COVID-19 Vaccine for Large Vaccination Hubs

Next week, Texas will direct most of the COVID-19 vaccine received from the federal government to large providers who can vaccinate a total of more than 100,000 people. Additional vaccine will be distributed to smaller providers in other parts of ...

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TWC: Chart of Available Unemployment Insurance Benefits

Texas Workforce Commission

www.texasworkforce.org

Extended Unemployment Benefits in Texas

Chart of Weeks of Benefits in Texas

If you are eligible for a benefit extension after you exhaust your unemployment benefits, TWC will mail (and email you if we have your email address) information about the additional benefits you may receive. Make sure TWC has your current address and email address. Benefit extensions summary below.

Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)
Extended Benefits (EB)
Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA)
Federal Pandemic Unemployment Compensation (FPUC)
All 100% federally funded

REG Up to 26 Weeks	PEUC Up to 24 Weeks	EB Up to 13 weeks or 50% of Maximum Benefit Amount, whichever is less	PUA Up to 50 Weeks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">Eligibility rules (past wages, qualifying separation) still applyWaiting Week waived <p>Apply for Benefits at ui.texasworkforce.org</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Applies to claims dated on or after July 8, 2018Exhausted all entitlement to Regular UI benefitsNot eligible in another stateFirst payable week under the extension is the week ending January 2, 2021Must exhaust Regular benefits by March 7, 2021Last payable week March 13 OR April 10, 2021, depending on when you reach 24-week limit	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Must have exhausted regular UI benefits and PEUCTexas qualified for EB on May 31, 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Individuals not monetarily eligible for regular benefits may qualifyBenefits may be reduced by number of weeks on REG or EBFirst payable week under the extension is the week ending January 2, 2021Last payable week March 13 OR April 10, 2021, depending on when you reach 50-week limitNew PUA claimants after January 31, 2021, must provide proof of employment within 21 days of claim dateExisting PUA claimants as of December 27, 2020, must provide proof of employment within 90 day

FPUC

\$300 per Week – 11 Weeks

- Claimants receiving regular unemployment, PEUC, EB or PUA will receive an additional \$300 payment per week
- First payable week is the week ending January 2, 2021
- Last payable week is the week ending March 13, 2021
- TWC cannot pay any FPUC for weeks from July 27 to December 27, 2020, as per federal guidelines

See [Unemployment News](#) for updates and current information.

Governor Abbott, HHSC Announce Extension Of Emergency SNAP Benefits For January 2021



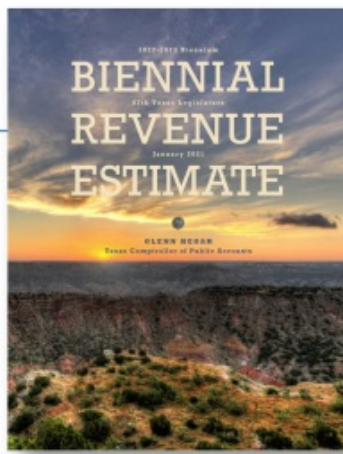
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Governor Abbott, HHSC Announce Extension Of Emergency...

Governor Greg Abbott today announced that the Texas Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) will provide approximately \$204 million in emergency Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) food benefits for the month of January as the...

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Invitation to watch Comptroller's
Biennial Revenue Estimate



ANNOUNCING THE 2021 BIENNIAL REVENUE ESTIMATE

At the beginning of each regular legislative session, the Texas Constitution requires the Comptroller of Public Accounts to provide an estimate of the revenue the state expects to receive through the next two-year budget period. The Biennial Revenue Estimate (BRE) forms the basis of Texas' budget by setting a limit on revenue available for general-purpose spending.

You are cordially invited to virtually join
Comptroller Glenn Hegar as he discusses the BRE
for the 2022-23 biennium.
We will livestream this year's BRE announcement, and
you can [watch the Comptroller's presentation online](#).

Monday, January 11, 2021

10:00 a.m.

[Stream the Event Online](#)

Don't mess with Texas® Scholarship
Contest Opens to High School Seniors



Scholarships - Don't Mess With Texas

2021 Don't mess with Texas® Scholarship Contest Applications must be received by online submission or postmarked by 5 p.m.CST) March 31st, 2021. The 2021 Don't mess with Texas® Scholarship, in partnership with Keep Texas Beautiful, recognizes the ...

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Governor's Committee On People With Disabilities Seeks Nominations For The 2021 Barbara Jordan Media Awards



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Governor's Committee On People With Disabilities Seeks...

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City of Houston & Harris County Updates

Harris County Public Health Dashboard



Harris County
Public Health
Building a Healthy Community

Trauma Service Area Q Hospitalization Update



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Texas Department of State
Health Services

The Department of State Health Services (DSHS) is alerting you to a change in the hospitalization status for Trauma Service Area Q (TSA-Q), which includes Austin, Colorado, Fort Bend, **Harris**, Matagorda, Montgomery, Walker, Waller, and Wharton counties.

For the past seven days, the number of COVID-19 hospitalized patients in TSA-Q has exceeded 15 percent of total hospital capacity, making it an area that is characterized as having high hospitalizations as defined in Executive Order GA-32.

As a result, **as of January 5, 2021**, all restaurants, retail stores, office buildings, manufacturing facilities, gyms and exercise facilities and classes, museums, and libraries in all counties in Trauma Service Area TSA-Q are required to return to **maximum 50 percent occupancy levels**, except in any county that separately qualifies for the greater occupancy levels because it has minimal cases of COVID-19 under the DSHS attestation process. DSHS will also update its [website](#) noting that TSA-Q exceeded the 15 percent hospitalization threshold for the past 7 days.

Executive Order GA-32

Texas Case Counts On October 8, 2020, Governor Greg Abbott issued Executive Order GA-32 to reopen certain venues to 75% capacity and allow resumption of elective surgeries in certain counties. Counties that reside in Trauma Service Areas (TSAs)...

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District 127 Updates

Governor Abbott Appoints Three To San Jacinto River Authority Board Of Directors



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Governor Abbott Appoints Three To San Jacinto River...

Governor Greg Abbott has appointed Wil Faubel and Rick Mora, M.D. and reappointed Kaaren Cambio to the San Jacinto River Authority Board of Directors for terms set to expire on October 16, 2025. The San Jacinto River Authority is a government...

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